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DEPARTMENT FOR PM-HDP, DRL, EAP/MLS, EAP/RSP AND S/GHD

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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR ONE INDIVIDUAL TO ATTEND THE PEACE SUPPORT OPERATIONS INSTRUCTORS' COURSE (PSOIC) APRIL 13-24, 2009 AT HALIM AIR FORCE BASE IN JAKARTA, INDONESIA

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¶1. This is an action cable. See Paragraph six.

¶2. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S. sponsored training programs.

¶3. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S. sponsored security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has conducted local human rights vetting for the following individual selected for the Peace Support Operations Instructors' Course (PSOIC) April 13-24, 2009 at Halim Air Force Base in Jakarta, Indonesia.

NAME: Sor Bunrith (Male)
DPOB: Aug. 25, 1969, Kandal
POSITION: Deputy Commander of Platoon
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: National Center for Peace Keeping Force, Mine and Explosive Remnants of War Clearance

¶4. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above individual.

¶5. The above individual will attend the Peace Support Operations Instructors' Course (PSOIC) from April 13-24, 2009 at Halim Air Force Base in Jakarta, Indonesia.

¶6. Action request: Please verify whether the Department possesses any credible information that the individual named above has been implicated in gross violations of human rights.

¶7. Points of contacts for Amembassy Phnom Penh are Major Wayne Turnbull at turnbullpw@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-219, or Janet Deutsch at deutschje@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118.

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